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RESPONSE TO OFFICE COMMUNICATION

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Communication mailed April 9, 2007, setting a one-month due date, and extended by the enclosed one-month extension of time and applicable fee.

Applicants respectfully submit this response and respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified patent application in light of the following remarks.

Remarks begin on page 2 of this paper.